PRAIRIE BAND POTAWATOMI NATION TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION PBP 2015-018

Friends University Partnership Summary Spring 2015 MBA and Graduate Studies and Opportunity Agreement

WHEREAS:

The Prairie Band of Potawatomi Nation (hereafter the "Nation") is a duly organized Tribal entity, with a Constitution and By-Laws approved by the Secretary of the Interior on February 19, 1976, and last amended on December 6, 2007; and.

WHEREAS:

Pursuant to Article V of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Constitution, the Tribal Council is the governing body of the Nation with enumerated powers of authority to negotiate, consult, and contract with Federal, State, local and Tribal governments, private enterprises, individuals, or organizations; and

WHEREAS:

The Tribal Council now has for its consideration an agreement with the following terms:

<u>Title of Agreement</u>: Friends University Partnership Summary – Spring 2015 MBA and Graduate Studies Opportunity Agreement

Parties to Agreement: Friends University. and the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation

<u>The Project</u>: This agreement provides for an onsite MBA program and Graduate Studies Opportunity for PBPN Tribal members, Tribal employees and PBPCR employees.

<u>Term:</u> This agreement is for a two year pilot program, with a projected start date of March 2015.

<u>Tuition Disount Agreement</u>: The agreement provides for a 10% tuition discount for academically qualified tribal gradute student to enroll and begin classes at the PBPN Government center in the core onground MBA courses together on a date set forth by the university and PBPN to initiate the discount. Target month is March 2015.

Provide for an additional 10% discount for a minimum of 8 PBPN Tribal members who have their graduate tuition directly paid to Friends University by the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation. Discounts available to eligible members who meet the terms and enroll in any area of graduate study at different dates up to June 2016. Student Services available to enrolled students. Friends U and PBPN Education will collaborate to identy professional development needs and deliver targeted offering in the appropriate format.

PBPN Education will provide for one classroom for 24 month at the Government Center with appropriate audio visional and computer equipment with software configured to match the needs of the curriculum. Assist Friends U. staff in identifying qualified student through various means communication. Allow use of the classroom and parking during evening class sessions for qualified graduate enrolled students. Provide funding and support to eligible students for their graduate studies as determined by Prairie Band education guidelines. Terms provided in the partnership summary attached.

WHEREAS: the Tribal Council wishes to enter into an agreement with Friends University. for a Spring 2015 MBA and Graduate Studies and Opportunity Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Tribal Council does hereby approve the agreement for Spring 2015 MBA and Graduate Studies and Opportunity Agreement with Friends University.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted at a meeting of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Tribal Council on the 28th day of January, 2015 during which (6) members were present, constituting a quorum, by a vote of (5) for, (0) opposed, (0) abstaining, (1) absent from voting and the Chair not voting.

ATTEST:

Liana Onnen, Chairperson

Camilla Chouteau, Secretary

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year last above written.



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Partnership Summary

Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation & Friends University

Spring 2015 MBA and Graduate Studies Opportunity Agreement

Friends University will:

- 1. Provide a 10% tuition discount for Prairie Band Potawatomi Tribal Members, Tribal employees, and Prairie Band Potawatomi Casino employees who enroll in the Master of Business Administration Program on Ground and/or Online prior to June 30, 2016. A minimum of 8 academically qualified tribal graduate students will be required to enroll and begin classes at the Prairie Band Government Center in the core onground MBA courses together on a date set forth by the university and the Prairie Band Nation to initiate this discount. The target month is March of 2015 with a final start date to be determined for the 2 year pilot program. This enrollment target will ensure that the students are in a class size sufficient to engage learners in an optimal learning environment, actively participate in group discussions and assignments, and bring various organizational perspectives to this professional program which will extend the reach of the educational goals in the Mission of Friends University. Additional qualified students who enroll in this initial onground offering from the 3 organizations listed above are also eligible to receive the 10 % discount and may enroll in MBA classes in June 2015, August 2015, October 2015, January 2016, March 2016 and in June of 2016 when at such time this agreement will be reviewed by both parties.
- 2. Provide an additional 10 % discount for a minimum of 8 Prairie Band Tribal members who have their graduate tuition directly paid to Friends University by the Prairie Band Nation.
- 3. If there are 10 total Prairie Band Potawatomi students in *any* area of graduate study who apply to and begin classes at *any* Friends University location or online in March 2015 and they are a direct bill student, then Friends University will offer a 10% discount on tuition for those students while they remain continuously enrolled in their studies. This may not be combined with the discounts in section #1 and #2 above.
- 4. Student Services not limited to but including library services, academic advising, career services, student appreciation activities, writing center services online or onground in Topeka and math tutoring onground in Topeka will be available to enrolled students on an ongoing basis. The computer lab in Topeka is also available during normal hours of operation Monday-Friday for the students enrolled in the graduate school.
- 5. Friends University will collaborate with the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Education Department to identify professional development needs and deliver targeted offerings in the appropriate format. This development will support the mission of the education department in promoting leadership among the tribal members as well as professional skill competencies needed by graduate students in the work place.
- 6. Friends University is committed to schedule regular and ongoing communication and partnership meetings with the education department to ensure the goals of the partnership are progressing in a mutually satisfactory manner.

The Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Will:

- 1. Provide one classroom for 24 months (with a review at that conclusion of that time frame) at the Government Center with appropriate audio visional and computer equipment with software configured to match the needs of the curriculum. This will be done in consultation and cooperation between both parties.
- 2. Assist Friends University staff in identifying potential qualified students for the graduate school through events, information meetings, email communication, posting of Friends literature and recruitment materials and other promotional educational and outreach activities as both parties deem appropriate with the goal of expanding the educational attainment of area citizens.
- 3. Allow use of the classroom and parking area during evening class sessions for qualified enrolled graduate students beyond the Tribe from other area native tribes, casino employees, tribal employees, and the general public to ensure an optimal learning environment and appropriate class size is maintained throughout the 2 year pilot program.
- 4. Provide funding and support to eligible students for their graduate studies as determined by Prairie Band education guidelines.